

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
21 STATE CIRCLE
SHAW HOUSE
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET
Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER:

AA 686

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:

Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE:

ORIGINAL USE:

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

1949 H.P. Hopkins & L HL Fowler

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Patrick Creagh

1949 Cogswell Construction Co.

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:

Excellent (X)

Good ()

Fair ()

Poor: ()

THEME:

STYLE: Georgian Vernacular

DATE BUILT:

1735-1737

1949

COUNTY: Anne Arundel

TOWN: Annapolis

LOCATION:

State Circle

COMMON NAME:

Old Treasury

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Res

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OWNER: State of Maryland

ADDRESS: State Circle

Annapolis, MD 21401

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Yes (X)

No ()

Restricted ()

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Local ()

State ()

HABS

National (X)

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

1. Foundation: Stone () Brick (X) Concrete () Concrete Block ()

2. Wall Structure

A. Wood Frame: Post and Beam () Balloon ()

B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick (X) Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()

C. Iron () D. Steel () E. Other:

3. Wall Covering: Clapboard () Board and Batten () Wood Shingle () Shiplap ()

Novelty () Stucco () Sheet Metal () Aluminum () Asphalt Shingle ()

Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer () Asbestos Shingle ()

Bonding Pattern: Header & Flemish, mixed

Other:

4. Roof Structure

A. Truss: Wood (X) Iron () Steel () Concrete ()

B. Other:

5. Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle (X) Asphalt Shingle () Sheet Metal ()

Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other:

6. Engineering Structure:

7. Other:

Appendages: Porches () Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys (X) Sheds () Ells ()

Wings () Other:

Roof Style: Gable (X) Hip () Shed () Flat () Mansard () Gambrel () Jerkinhead ()

Saw Tooth () With Monitor () With Bellcast () With Parapet () With False Front ()

Other: Cross Gable

Number of Stories: 1

Number of Bays: 3

Approximate Dimensions: 48x50

Entrance Location: Centered

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

No Threat () Zoning () Roads ()

Development () Deterioration ()

Alteration () Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:

Positive () Negative ()

Mixed () Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

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Cruciform plan, end wall chimneys, extrmemly thick walls and solid doors befitting a treasury; elliptical window openings with rectangular sash, headed by header arches, round arched entrance porch, wood boxed cornice; brick barrel vaulted ceiling at interior.

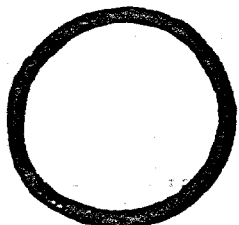
RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Oldest public building in State, erected 1735-37 to house the "Bills of Paper Currency;" excellent example of the restrained almost Jacobean vernacular style used for accessory buildings of the period.

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane() Woodland() Scattered Buildings()
Moderately Built Up(✓) Densely Built Up()
Residential() Commercial()
Agricultural() Industrial()
Roadside Strip Development()
Other:

RECORDED BY:

Russell Wright

ORGANIZATION:

Historic Annapolis, Inc

DATE RECORDED:

Aug. 1983

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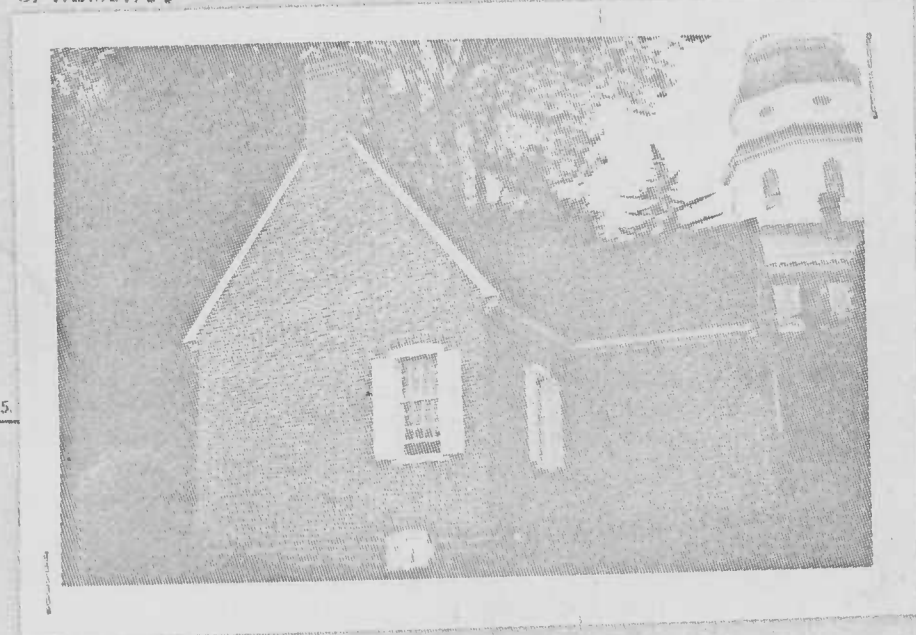
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1. STATE Annapolis, Maryland		HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY	
COUNTY	VICINITY	2. NAME Old Treasury Building	
TOWN		DATE OR PERIOD	1735-37
STREET NO.	State Circle	STYLE	Georgian
ORIGINAL OWNER	Province of Maryland	ARCHITECT	Patrick Creagh
ORIGINAL USE	Treasury	BUILDER	Patrick Creagh
PRESENT OWNER	State of Maryland	3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE	
PRESENT USE	Headqtrs. Md. Hist. Trust		
WALL CONSTRUCTION	brick		
NO. OF STORIES	one		

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION	OPEN TO PUBLIC	Yes
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The oldest public building in the State of Maryland, the Old Treasury Building was erected to house the "Commissioners" to Emit the Bills of Paper Currency." Built in a cruciform shape (much like the first two state houses), the Old Treasury is extremely solid with very thick walls and heavy doors (original). Architecturally the Old Treasury is extremely interesting and has a barrell vault (brick) ceiling -- a rare feature. The exterior with its end chimneys and slope of the roof look like other Maryland architecture of this period, however, the interior is remarkably modern in appearance and feeling -- though using an almost Jacobean vocabulary, the building is straightforward and almost devoid of ornament.



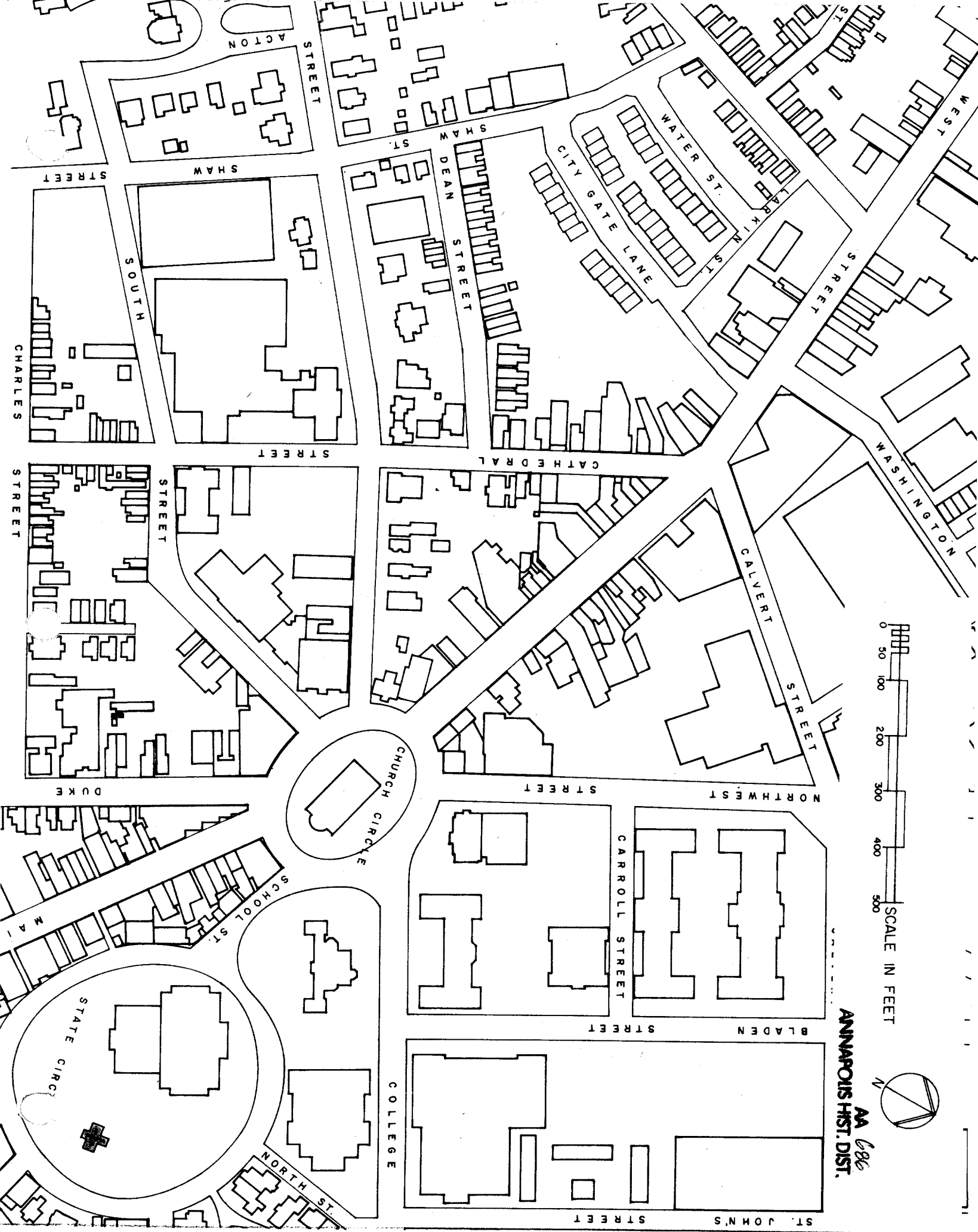
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5.	Exterior
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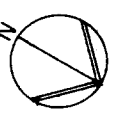


6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)	7. PHOTOGRAPH
8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.	9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER William D. Morgan Columbia University New York City DATE OF RECORD August 24, 1967

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE



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Annapolis, Anne Arundel County

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Maryland Historical Trust,

Annapolis, Maryland

NW Elevation/camera facing SE



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